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use of their Families: and that they sho^d be allowed a given Ration of what they wanted (Cloths excepted) per week till I had submitted this matter to the consideration of the Society and had received their instructions upon it. A copy of their weekly ration I have the Honor to enclose for the information of the Society, and shall be obliged by receiving their directions for my future guidance.

The Settlers for this indulgence were to purchase from the natives whatever articles of commerce they might bring for Sale on account of the general concern, the profits of which when sold would go towards defraying the expences of the Vessel, or the Support of the Settlement. This plan some were not prepared to sanction without a little hesitation, but I found it absolutely necessary in the Infant State of the Settlement especially. And it was at length finally adopted. The Settlers were all equal in Authority they had no Head, and good Men when left without a Guide are not always inclined to do what is right. There are comparatively few Men who are capable of thinking for themselves, and as far as my experience of human nature extends, I think that good Men sho^d always be prevented from doing wrong, as well as the bad when this can be done. I further told them, I wo^d allow them 5% bent upon the net proceeds of whatever Cargo the Active might bring to Port Jackson. I am happy to say I left them all satisfied, and each in his proper Station, and I think they will do well. The following number of persons were left at Amghee Noo. Mr & Mrs Kendall 1 Servant and 3 Boys - Mr & Mrs Wall and 1 Boy - Mr & Mrs King & 2 Boys These belonging to the Society. One pair of Lawyers and a Black Smith bound for a time - Mr Hanson and Son remained on their own account. Mr Hanson Sen^r commands the Active. I have since sent over the Wives of the Smith, and one Lawyer, (the other being a single Man) and 2 Children. I also left 3 runaway Convicts with the Settlers to assist them till the Active returned, and took 3 away with me having met with 6 at New Zealand. The total number of Europeans at Amghee Noo including Men Women and Children are 25. I cannot ascertain as yet what will be the amount of supporting